

REMARKS

The claims are claims 2 to 3.

The application has been further amended at many locations to correct minor errors and to present uniform language throughout. The amendments include correction of those errors noted by the Examiner.

New formal drawings including the corrections required by the Examiner are attached.

Claim 1 is canceled. New claims 2 and 3 are added.

Claim 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as anticipated by Harrison et al U.S. Patent No. 6,011,732.

Claim 2 recites subject matter not anticipated by Harrison et al. Claim 2 recites a "voltage controlled oscillator." Harrison et al does not disclose this limitation. Claim 2 further recites that this voltage controlled oscillator generates "plural outputs generating a corresponding signals at differing phases, each having a frequency proportional to a voltage received at said voltage input." Harrison et al does not disclose this limitation. Accordingly, claim 2 is allowable over Harrison et al.

Claim 3 recites subject matter not anticipated by Harrison et al. Claim 3 recites that the voltage controlled oscillator is a "ring oscillator having a plurality of differential input, differential output voltage controlled delay elements, said differential outputs of said voltage controlled delay elements forming said plural outputs of said voltage controlled oscillator." Harrison et al does not disclose this limitation. Accordingly, claim 3 is allowable over Harrison et al.

The Applicants respectfully submit that all the present claims are allowable for the reasons set forth above. Therefore early reconsideration and advance to issue are respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has any questions or other correspondence regarding this application, Applicants request that the Examiner contact Applicants' attorney at the below listed telephone number and address to facilitate prosecution.

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